



PATENT  
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**IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Hiroshi YAMANE et al.

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Application No. 10/766,910

Group 1725

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTINUOUS  
CASTING OF METALS

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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October 14, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of May 17, 2005, for which the period for response has been extended two months, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **Appendix** is attached which follows the signature page of this paper.